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TO: Graduate Students Not Admitted to a Program

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RE: Changes to Licensure

The Tennessee State Board of Education has approved a new Tennessee Learning Centered Leadership policy which mandates numerous and significant changes in the way that future educational administrators are licensed in the State of Tennessee. The new licensing program policy begins for new students at every Tennessee university in August 2009.

As part of this policy change, students who are currently enrolled in a Tennessee school administrator licensing program have until September 2011 to complete their current program and be eligible to receive their administrator license. Currently enrolled students who do not finish their degree and/or licensing program by September 2011 will be governed by the new Learning Centered Leadership policy requirements.

The University of Memphis graduate students *who are currently taking classes in the administrator license program but are not admitted to the program* need to interview this month (April, 09) so that they can be a part of this group that has until September 2011 to finish their program. If you want to interview for summer admission to the program, submit your admission packet to Carol Reeves, the administrative secretary. Call her at 678-2369 if you need more information about admission. Call or email Dr. Wesson at 581-3160 or lwesson1@memphis.edu if you need more information about how these changes impact your program. When we receive your materials, you will be notified about the day and time of your interview. Student interviews will be the last week in April.

We look forward to working with you as we go through this transition.